

Page 1, Line 30, before this line insert

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 1, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 37 with the following rewritten paragraph:

This object is achieved initially and substantially in the case of the introductory-mentioned subject matter wherein the film layer consists of a flame-retardant material, that the film layer also has through-openings and that the through-openings are open to vapour diffusion. The invention consequently takes the approach of forming the film layer or, as also emerges from the text below, preferably an outer film layer, only with a predominantly flame-retardant effect, but to leave through-openings which, although closed by the film, are open to vapour diffusion. The film layer itself can consequently be not permeable to vapour diffusion, or possibly only much less permeable to vapour diffusion. A first, more specific embodiment of this teaching proposes that the through-openings comprise cut-outs formed in the film layer and that these cut-outs are respectively closed by a second film of material which is open to vapour diffusion, disposed in a window-like manner. Consequently, punched openings, hole-like punched openings, can be made in the film layer and then be covered with individual, patch-like portions of a second film. For example, the second film may be adhesively bonded to the outer film layer to the extent that the cut-outs are closed by it. A very wide range of

geometries can be used for the cut-outs, and this also applies to the embodiments still to be described below. For example, circular, rectangular, star-shaped, grid-like, and so on. In a further specific embodiment, the invention also proposes that the second film is disposed under the outer film layer and in such a way that it covers the latter even in the regions without through-openings. Consequently, film layers simply lying one on top of the other may be provided, the outer film layer being formed by the flame-retardant material and the inner film layer being formed by the material open to vapour diffusion, with the outer film layer having through-openings and the film layer which is open to vapour diffusion having no openings.

Page 3, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 24 with the following rewritten paragraph:

With regard to the flame-retardant material, polyimide is particularly suitable and is already available on the market as polyimide films. However, a polyphenylene sulphide (PPS) film may also be used, for example. Also, a polyester (PET) film, a polyvinyl-fluoride (PVF) or polyvinyl-difluoride (PVDF) film.

Page 3, Line 31, before this line insert the following paragraph heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--